

BY AUTHORITY.

WATER NOTICE.

In accordance with Section 1, of Chapter XXXVI of the Laws of 1886:
All persons holding water privileges or those paying water rates, are hereby notified that the water rates for the term ending June 30, 1897, will be due and payable at the office of the Honolulu Water Works, on the 1st day of January, 1897.
All rates remaining unpaid for fifteen days after they are due will be subject to an additional 10 per cent.
Rates are payable at the office of the Water Works in the Kapulwa Building, ANDREW BROWN, Superintendent Honolulu Water Works, Honolulu, H. I., Dec. 17, 1896.
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DANIEL LOGAN, Editor.

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Sir John Tenniel in Punch represents Brother Jonathan and Brother John Bull in the act of testing the merits of a peace pudding, labeled "Venezuelan Arbitration," set between them. Brother Jonathan queries, "What do you think of it, Johnnie?" To which John Bull replies, "Well, it's better than your beastly hum-bug pie, anyhow." At last accounts Venezuela, in whose behalf the United States did so much, was suspected of a disposition to become the only kicker at the arbitration arrangement. In that case the country would speedily lose American sympathy and perhaps further support in securing whatever may be its rights. It will not be surprising if the equitable fifty years' occupation clause, agreed upon between Great Britain and America in the treaty awaiting Venezuela's ratification, should in its application show that Venezuela never exercised authority in the best part of the disputed territory, or even laid strenuous claim to its ownership, before British enterprise had discovered its great mineral wealth.

An American exchange, evincing a revulsion of feeling over Venezuela's apparent hesitation in accepting the arbitration arrangement secured on its behalf by the United States, suggests that Venezuela may deserve what she gets if left to the tender mercies of "land grabbers." The term is a mild one but scarcely dignified enough to apply to British statesmen, who, according to a recent speech of Lord Rosebery, had in the last few years added 2,600,000 square miles to the territories of the Empire. Yet any odium that otherwise might attach to such stupendous acquisitive achievements will disappear in presence of the fact, lately stated by Mr. Chamberlain, that "in the last twelve months the present government had redeemed from barbarism in Ashanti and in the Sudan two provinces ruled by two great assassins," the number of whose victims was tenfold the number of all that had suffered by Turkish cruelty in the last few years.

Revenge has rare resources. A ferry company at Halifax, down in Nova Scotia, contracted with the British garrison authorities to take all the military across, whenever they wished, for \$100 a year. The military came to think this excessive and asked to have the rate reduced to \$50. This request having been refused, the military, to get even with the ferry, sends the Berks Regiment, seven hundred strong, across the harbor once a fortnight. The genius for reprisals exhibited there bodes ill for any possible besiegers of that stronghold.

Embassador Bayard has declined — properly most people interested ought to think — the Christmas box for which the London Daily Telegraph was soliciting subscriptions. Even the paper

that, conjointly with the New York Herald, sent Stanley to Africa in quest of Livingstone, presumed rather too far when it undertook to attach the United States Embassador to the tail of its self-advertising kite. Mr. Bayard evidently gives the Telegraph credit for the best of motives, however, for his letter of declination is long and eloquent, being in fact an elegant treatise on the limitations of American representatives abroad in receiving complimentary distinctions.

General Sherman and other members of the Senate committee on foreign relations are represented, in a Canton dispatch, as, while not hostile to Hawaii, being in favor of deliberate action and opposed to bringing in an annexation treaty at once. This information is probably correct and goes a good way in clearing the atmosphere for operations on the American side in behalf of political union. American statesmen and public opinion of the United States must be brought as soon as possible to the point of definite negotiations for union, either by treaty or by legislative enactment.

It would appear from the latest London advices that the South African situation is far from composed. Should the British government put Cecil Rhodes on trial for conspiracy, as is now deemed possible, something in the form of enraged public opinion might be heard drop near the Cape of Good Hope. The recent intelligence that there was a great increase of the garrison at the Cape, however, may be a sign that Great Britain is going to treat the late unpleasantness as closed with whatever has been done hitherto in the way of smoothing down the ruffled plume of the Boers.

To attempt an abrogation of cattle quarantine between the two countries is the occasion of a present visit of the Dominion Minister of Agriculture to Washington. This recalls the unpleasant feeling the Hawaiian Government harbored toward the American Government about a dozen years back with regard to the cattle quarantine. It was on that occasion that David McKinley, then American Consul here, made the crisp remark, between whiffs of his short black pipe, to a BULLETIN interviewer: "It wouldn't do for little Hawaii to cock up her tail at the United States."

Mr. Moody is conducting revival services in New York. In the course of his talk to the people a few days ago he said: "I would like to have a man like Wm. Jennings Bryan preach every day in some church. Now this may seem strange, but Mr. Bryan is a good Christian, and I would rather see him preaching in a church than presiding at the White House."

British Forehandness.

The San Francisco Chronicle thus remarks on the news about the new British claim on Egypt, for the amount of the expenses of the Dongola expedition which France, with Russia's backing, insisted should not come out of the Egyptian administration fund:

For a mere beggarly amount of £500,000 England will be permitted to make a claim on Egypt which cannot be shaken. It appears that the French have refused to bear their share of the cost of the Dongola expedition, which leaves England with good ground to assert that Egypt is unable to reconquer or defend her outlying territory. Whatever Kitchener may accomplish in the Sudan will be for the benefit of England and not for Egypt. In this diplomatic fight the French have been as badly worsted as they were in the famous struggle which ended in the bombardment of Alexandria.

There are some men who think that woman's proper sphere is the ball used in darning stockings.

Timely Topics

—ON—

CART AND BUGGY HARNESSES AND EQUINE FURNISHING GOODS.

Last week we entertained the public with a list of a few of the articles we have in stock suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts. This week we have got an economical streak on, on account of taxes being due and the water rates for next year being needed in advance. We take it for granted that everyone else is in the same boat, and hence endeavor to show people how they can save a little money, at least enough to buy something to put in the children's stockings next Thursday night.

You can save money by buying from us:

Cart and Buggy Harness neat, light, strong and cheap, all prices from \$15.50 to \$35.00
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The celebrated Whitman Bit, the best Riding Bit out.

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If your taste is more expensive we can sell you a Dietz Driving Lantern for \$4.00.

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J. T. WATERHOUSE

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But our stock of Cut Glass is what wins the ladies. Competition in this line of goods has brought the price down with us to a trifle above cost — it is cheap enough now to go into the homes of the poor. We have everything in the line — Pepper and Salts, Oils, Vinegar, Asparagus Dishes, Rose Bowls, Butter Tubs, etc., etc.

J. T. WATERHOUSE
Queen Street.

Insurance Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the General Agency of The Germania Life Insurance Co. of New York, has been placed in the hands of Messrs. J. Alfred Magoon and A. V. Gear.

J. Alfred Magoon will have charge of the collection of renewal premiums and will act as the Company's attorney.

A. V. Gear will act as agent for the Company in securing new business.

J. ALFRED MAGOON and A. V. GEAR.

General Agents of the Germania Life Insurance Co. of New York for the Hawaiian Islands. 486-1m

NOTICE.

Written applications for shares of the capital stock in the

OAHU SUGAR CO.,

Should be made to the undersigned within ten days from date. As the demand will probably be in excess of the number of shares to be issued, such applications, in the event of their being for an excess of shares, will be filed pro rata.

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Oahu Railway and Land Company, Honolulu, Dec. 17, 1896.

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But now we have the goods, and they are ready for your inspection, ready to be sent home to you. This last invoice is from the celebrated Whiting Silver Company, and the prices are so low that it is cheaper in the long run than pewter. The assortment comprises everything, from an ordinary butter pick to a food pusher. We mention the latter as though it was a common every day affair, but it's not — it's rare.

If you are interested read this partial list and remember that the material of which the cases are made is the finest.

Sardine Servers, silk case, \$4.05; Child's Set, knife, fork and spoon in handsome case, \$6.60; Pie Knives in case, \$10.20; Cake Knives in silk case, \$11.05; Butter Knives in kid case, \$4.75; Pickle Forks, silk case, \$3.75; Sugar Spoons, silk case, \$3.50; Sugar Tongs, silk case, \$6.40; Bon Bon Tongs, kid case, \$4.20; Napkin Rings, from \$1.15 to \$4.20; Brandy Flasks, Fruit Knives, Tea, Dessert, Table and Soup Spoons; Dessert, Table and Fish Forks; Butter Dishes — without covers; Silver Bread and Butter Plates; Knife Rests, Butter Picks and Spreaders, Oyster Forks, Fish and Dessert Knives, Coffee, Salt and Mustard Spoons.

Store open evenings.